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Dear Sir:

Approximately twenty-nine (29) months have elapsed since the filing of a Response to Notice of Missing Parts, which was mailed on December 8, 2003. No further communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application other than an updated Filing Receipt (mailed January 20, 2004).

Kindly advise the undersigned of the present status of this application.

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